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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

OOSTERHOLT ET AL. 

Examiner

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- 11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on ____ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
- If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.
- 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

- 13) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 5.
 3. ☒ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application).
- a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 15) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) ____
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). ____
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other:

Specification

The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because the improper usage of the word "means". Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Horvitz (US

6,067, 565).

As per claim 1, Horvitz teaches a device for presenting information units, comprising history means for storing references to presentable information units into a history list, the history means comprising user operable navigation means for changing a current position in the history list (col 40, lines 1-63);

Examiner infers that the history list is a container that contains a list of the web pages, which are previously viewed by the user. Horvitz allows the user to view the pre-fetched web pages, and that would change the position of the web pages that were previously viewed by the user.

and presentation means for presenting an information unit referenced by the reference at the current position, characterized in that the device further comprises compilation means for

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user operably compiling a set of references to desired information units, and storing the references of said set into the history list so as to present an information unit referenced by the compiled set in response to a user operating said navigation means (col 34, lines 19- 46).

As per claim 2, Horvitz teaches a device as claimed in claim 1, the navigation means comprising forward means for changing the current position in the history list to a reference stored more recently than the reference at the current position, the presentation means being adapted to present respective information units referenced by the compiled set in response to the user iteratively operating said forward means(col 40, lines 1-63).

Examiner infers that the feature which is disclosed by Horvitz that allows the user to navigate the web page using forward and back, and allowing the user to view the pre-fetched web pages, which would change the position of the web page that were previously viewed by the user.

As per claim 3, Horvitz teaches a device as claimed in claim 2, the compilation means being adapted to impose a user supplied order on the compiled set of references, and store the references into the history list in accordance with said order (col 34, lines 19- 46).

As per claim 4, Horvitz teaches a device as claimed in claim 1, further comprising bookmark means for storing a bookmark to the compiled set of references (col 14, lines 57- 68, col 15, lines 1-9, col 34, lines 19- 46), and storing the references of said set into the history list in response to the user selecting said bookmark (col 40, lines 1-63).

As per claim 5, Horvitz teaches a device as claimed in claim 1, the information units being retrieved from a remote server, the compilation means being adapted to start retrieving

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information units referenced by the compiled set independently of an operation of the navigation means (col 40, lines 1-63).

As per claim 6, Horvitz teaches an internet access terminal as a device as claimed in claim 1 (col 5, lines 47-59).

As per claim 7, Horvitz teaches a method of presenting information units, comprising a step of storing references to presented information units into a history list, a step of user operably changing a current position in the history list and presenting an information unit referenced at the current position(col 40, lines 1-63);

Examiner infers that the history list is a container that contains a list of the web pages, which are previously viewed by the user. Horvitz allows the user to view the pre-fetched web pages, and that would change the position of the web page that were previously viewed by the user.

characterized in that the method further comprises a step of user operably compiling a set of references to desired information units, and a step of storing the references of said set into the history list so as to present an information unit referenced by the compiled set in response to a user changing the current position in the history list (col 34, lines 19- 46).

As per claim 8, it is of the same scope as claim 2. (see rejection above).

As per claim 9, it is of the same scope as claim 3. (see rejection above).

As per claim 10, it is of the same scope as claim 4. (see rejection above).

As per claim 11, it is of the same scope as claim 5. (see rejection above).

As per claim 12, Horvitz teaches a computer program product for performing, when executed on a computing device, the method as claimed in 1(col 5, lines 49-53).

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Conclusion

The following patent is cited to further show the state of the art with respect to a web history viewing in general:

Berstis (US 6,243,091) disclose : a global history view

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Peng Ke whose telephone number is (703) 305-7615. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, KRISTINE L KINCAID can be reached on (703) 308-0640. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 746-7239 for regular communications and (703) 746-7238 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.

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